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Draft Low-Threat UST Closure Policy

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An underground storage tank (UST) is defined by law as "any one or combination of tanks, including pipes connected thereto, that is used for the storage of hazardous substances and that is substantially or totally beneath the surface of the ground" (certain exceptions apply).

The purpose of the UST Program is to protect public health and safety and the environment from releases of petroleum and other hazardous substances from tanks. There are four program elements:

->> Leak Prevention

The Leak Prevention Program element includes requirements for tank installation, construction, testing, leak detection, spill containment, and overfill protection. Certified Unified Program Agencies (CUPAs) are the implementing agencies for the Leak Prevention program element.

Hot Topics

- Development of a Draft Low Threat Closure Policy
- UST Provisions of AB 1674
- Draft California LUFT Guidance Manual-Version 2.0 - Available for Comment (10/7/10)
- ->> List of UST Water Quality Petitions and Board Orders
- ->> Resolution (2009-0042) to Improve Administration of the UST Cleanup Fund and UST Cleanup Program (6/10/09)
- Information on Storage of Biodiesel

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General Criteria

Media-Specific Criteria

Vapor Intrusion

No Further Action



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Next Steps:

- CEQA Scoping Documents
- Scientific Peer Review
- Review by California Office of Administrative Law
- Public/Regulatory Outreach
- Public Comment Outreach
- Adoption Early 2012

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San Diego Water Board UST Statistics

Active Cases as of 7-1-2010	Cases Closed	Closure Rate	Closure Rate
	FY 2011	FY 2011	FY 2010
151	19	12.6%	19.6%



General Conditional Waivers



Regional Board Orders

- Board Actions
 - Advisory Team
 - Prosecution Team
- Non Board Actions
 - Issue a draft CAO
 - Discharger provides comments
 - A final CAO is signed by EO



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QUESTIONS

